

REMARKS

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Amendment filed August 3, 2006 is being resubmitted in its entirety including markings to show each and every change that has been made to claim 4 relative to its immediate prior revisions. Additionally, claim 4 has been amended to add the word "inhibitory" for consistency with claim 1 and to correct the spelling of the word "residue" at the end of the claim.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue. If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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Respectfully submitted,

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